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Map 101 Joann Hilton

I propose this Map of Council representation because: 1. It optimizes the under-represented low income and Hispanic group in Area 1. It would allow them to vote as a block. 2. It divides up Lincoln Hills and Cata Verdera to lessen the impact of that large, regular high voting block. 3. It is quite evenly proportionate by population.

Map 102 Bill Murphy

Proposed Plan

Map 103 Deana Rhoades

This was developed using two primary goals 1. Keep the 6 elementary school districts intact within districts as much as possible because this is where neighborhood communities generally form. 2. Divide SCLH and Lincoln Crossing both too large in population to be distinct districts into no more than 2 sections. 4 of the 6 elementary school districts remain intact. LC and Creekside each have a small section split off into the adjacent district. Borders are formed by major roads and the Auburn Ravine. I placed greater emphasis on sensible border locations than on exact population equality but the districts all fall within the population ranges allowed.

Additional Comments submitted Jan. 2:

Attending council meetings on Tuesday nights presents major obstacles for me, so I am writing this email to clarify something that pertains to my map(s) in case I cannot arrange things to allow me to attend the January 14 meeting.

My intention with the design of my map was that districts 1, 2, and 3 would vote in 2020 and 4 and 5 would vote in 2022. There are three important components to my reasoning:

- 1. Auburn Ravine serves as an ideal border for establishing our districts and in determining which vote when. 40.7% of the population of Lincoln lives north of the ravine and 59.3% lives on the south side. This is almost perfect for forming (2) districts to the north and (3) to the south. I used Auburn Ravine as the starting point for my map.
- 2. Because the (2) councilmembers who are not up for reelection in 2020 live north of the ravine and the (3) councilmembers who are up for election live in the south, it makes the most sense to have districts 1, 2, and 3 vote in 2020 and districts 4 and 5 in 2022.
- 3. Because the districts will need to be adjusted before 2022, there is the potential for some voters to be unable to vote until 2024. However, establishing a static border between the 2020-voting districts and the 2022-voting districts (i.e. one that would not change after the 2020 census) would eliminate this potentiality. Auburn Ravine provides that benefit in my map. Because of the way Lincoln has grown in all four corners, Foskett Ranch, Virginiatown, Lincoln Crossing and 12 Bridges, it seems likely that the population division will maintain a ratio close to 40:60 after the 2020 census, such that Auburn Ravine can remain as that essential border. No voter would be deprived of the opportunity to vote for their distict councilmember.

This is an important aspect of my map. I should have stated that in the comments submitted.

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Map 104 George Sittner

After many iterations this map is the best combination I could format that followed the rules for redistricting as I understand them. Each district touches Hwy65Lincoln Blvd to an extent. Socioeconomic areas are kept together as best as possible given the challenges of population distribution.

Map 105 Eric Kurland

Looked to capture spirit of communities given significant challenges with population requirements and census blocks. Expect 2020 census with increased population will allow adjustments to shift some areas from District 1 3 into 2. Expect all 5 districts will contain many residents whom support and have a vested interest in a strong vibrant downtown - living working andor shopping eating there.

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My proposed sequencing (for how the numbers are assigned) would be : 2020 (1, 2 and 3) and 2022 (4 and 5).

Map 106

Regionally known boundaries from many of us who have lived on both sides of the train tracks. Balancing of schools to commercial to industrial. Allowing for growth for District 1 to north east District 5 to north west District 3 to the west and District 2 to the west.

Map 107 Joann Hilton

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Map 108 NDC

NDC's goal in maps 108 – 110 was to achieve the goals stated in the hearings so far, to meet the legal requirements, and to balance the other traditional redistricting goals. For map 108, NDC drew on the ideas in resident-drawn maps 103, 104, 105 and 107 (the contiguous and population-balanced resident maps), NDC attempted to achieve these goals without the wrap-around District 3 of maps 103, 105 and 107 and while uniting the relatively concentrated Latino neighborhoods downtown, just west of downtown and between the north side of Nicholas Rd and the creek west of Joiner Parkway. The U-Shape of District 2 is the result of unifying these three neighborhoods (most of downtown, west of downtown, and the north side of Nicholas Rd west of Joiner Parkway). The District 5 "notch" west of the railroad is only for population balancing, and other than that notch Districts 3, 4 and 5 all follow major roads and respect neighborhoods in a compact manner (given the challenges of some very large and odd-shaped Census Blocks in the City).

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Map 109 NDC

This map attempts to achieve the request from the public hearings to have all, or as many Districts as possible, touch the historic downtown corridor along Lincoln Blvd from 1st Street to 6th Street. It was not possible to have all five touch downtown, but four (all but District 5) include some portion of downtown while minimizing divisions of neighborhoods and otherwise following creeks, railroads and major roads for district borders.

Map 110 NDC

Map 110 is an alternative approach to the same goals of Map 108. The westside of Lincoln, neighborhoods west of downtown, and the north side of Nicolas Rd are united; the creek is the major division between the two districts in the north and the three in the south; and the boundaries of districts 3, 4 and 5 keep neighborhoods together and follow major roads as much as possible given the odd-shaped and large Census Blocks in the City.